

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as indicated hereafter. It is believed that the following amendments and additions add no new matter to the present application.

In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph starting on p. 5, line 3 as follows:

As used herein, "laser diode" refers to a device having a stack of semiconductor layers, including a double heterostructure and an active region which emits light when biased to produce an electrical current flow through the device, a an optical resonator, and contacts attached to the stack. "LED" or "light emitting diode" refers to a device having stack of semiconductor layers (a "chip"), including an active region which emits light when biased to produce an electrical current flow through the device, and contacts attached to the stack, provided the LED has no double heterostructure and no optical resonator. A "blue laser diode" is a laser diode that emits blue light, e.g. in the wavelength range from about 440 nm to about 490 nm. A "violet laser diode" is a laser diode that emits violet light, e.g. in the wavelength range from about 400 nm to about 440 nm. A "UV laser diode" is a laser diode that emits ultraviolet light, e.g. in the wavelength range from about 200 nm to about 400 nm. In certain embodiments, the UV laser diode emits ultraviolet light in the wavelength range of about 340 to about 400 nm. With regard to light emitted from a laser diode or from a phosphor composition, unless a contrary range is explicitly stated, light that is described as being red has a wavelength in the range of 590 nm to about 650 nm, yellow light has a wavelength in the range of 560 nm to 580 nm, green light has a wavelength in the range of 520 nm to about 550 nm, blue light has a wavelength in the range of 440 nm to about 490 nm, violet light has a wavelength in the range of 400 nm to about 440 nm, and ultraviolet light has a wavelength in the range of 200 nm to about 400 nm (typically about 340 nm to about 400 nm); and embodiments of the present invention having laser diodes and phosphor compositions that emit light having wavelengths in one or more of the ranges specified in this sentence are specifically contemplated and included herein.